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CHARTER
PEACE CORPS NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

1. **Official Title.** Peace Corps National Advisory Council.
2. **Authority.** The Peace Corps National Advisory Council (the Council) is established under section 12 of the Peace Corps Act, 22 U.S.C. 2511, and in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. (FACA).
3. **Objective and Scope of Duties.** The Council shall advise and consult with the President and the Director of the Peace Corps (the Director) on Peace Corps policies and programs.
4. **Description of Duties.** In accordance with 22 U.S.C. 2511(b):
 - a. The Council shall advise and consult with the President and the Director with regard to policies and programs designed to further the purposes of the Peace Corps Act and shall, as the Council considers appropriate, periodically report to the Congress with regard to the Peace Corps.
 - b. The Council shall conduct on-site inspections, and make examinations, of the activities of the Peace Corps in the United States and in other countries in order to:
 - (1) evaluate the accomplishments of the Peace Corps;
 - (2) assess the potential capabilities and the future role of the Peace Corps;
 - (3) make recommendations to the President, the Director, and, as the Council considers appropriate, the Congress, for the purpose of guiding the future direction of the Peace Corps and of helping to ensure that the purposes and programs of the Peace Corps are carried out in ways that are economical, efficient, responsive to changing needs in developing countries, and to changing relationships among people, and in accordance with law; and
 - (4) make such other evaluations, assessments, and recommendations as the Council considers appropriate.
5. **Official to Whom the Council Reports.** The Council reports to the President and Director.

6. **Support.** The Peace Corps will provide support to the Council as deemed necessary for the performance of the Council's functions and will ensure compliance with the requirements of FACA.
7. **Estimated Annual Operating Cost and Staff Years.** The estimated annual fiscal year operating costs for the Council are \$600,000.00, including two staff years of support.
8. **Designated Federal Officer.** A full-time or permanent part-time employee of the Peace Corps, appointed in accordance with agency procedures, will serve as the DFO for the Council. The DFO, or designee, will approve or call all of the Council's and subcommittees' meetings, prepare and approve all meeting agenda, attend all Council and subcommittee meetings, adjourn any meeting when he or she determines adjournment to be in the public interest, and chair meetings when directed to do so by the Director, or his or her designee.
9. **Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings.** It is anticipated that the Council will meet approximately once every three months.
10. **Duration.** The period of time anticipated to be necessary for the Council to carry out its purposes is continuing.
11. **Termination.** The Committee is continuing in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 2511. A charter renewal will be filed upon the expiration of each two-year period following the initial filing, in accordance with Section 14(b)(2) of FACA and implementing regulations at 41 CFR § 102-3.70(b).
12. **Membership and Designation.** In accordance with 22 U.S.C. 2511(c), the Council has the following membership:
 - a. **Voting Members.** The Council has 15 voting members appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Voting members will be broadly representative of the general public, including educational institutions; private volunteer agencies; private industry; farm organizations; labor unions; different regions of the United States; different educational, economic, racial, and national backgrounds and age groupings; and both sexes. At least seven of the voting members must be former Peace Corps Volunteers and not more than eight voting members can be members of the same political party. A voting member may not be an officer or employee of the United States Government. Voting members are Special Government Employees (SGEs). The voting members will receive compensation in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 2511(d).
 - b. **Ex-Officio Members.** The Secretary of State and the Administrator of the Agency for International Development, or their designees, and the

Director and Deputy Director of the Peace Corps, are non-voting, ex-officio members of the Council.

- 13. Subcommittees.** The Director, or his or her designee, shall have the authority to create subcommittees of the Council. Subcommittees must report back to the Council and must not provide advice or work products directly to the President or to the Director.
- 14. Recordkeeping.** The records of the Council and formally and informally established subcommittees and other subgroups of the committee shall be handled in accordance with General Records Schedule 26, Item 2 or other approved agency records disposition schedule. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.
- 15. Filing Date.** This charter was filed with the Committee Management Secretariat on May 5, 2010.